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The Honorable Scott Pruitt Administrator United States Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20460

**Dear Administrator Pruitt:** 

I write to thank you for our recent meeting in Washington, D.C.

We appreciated the opportunity to hear you describe your vision for leading the Environmental Protection Agency. As we discussed during the meeting, you represent a new type of leader at EPA; namely, a professional who understands that the agency can deliver on its core mission of protecting human health and the environment and, at the same time, promote U.S. investment and job creation via responsible and consistent environmental policies and regulations. Chemours believes the EPA can do both; indeed, we believe the agency should do both, and we welcome the opportunities that such a rational approach will create for the U.S. economy.

We also appreciated the chance to provide you with more information about Chemours. With approximately 7,000 employees, (5,000 of whom are located in the United States) and 26 manufacturing sites, which serve approximately 4,000 customers in North America, Latin America, Asia-Pacific and Europe, we are committed to putting American innovation to work to create global, market-leading product opportunities, and, in the process, support new manufacturing investments and new jobs in the United States.

Please know that our discussions with you about how your staff is going about the process of implementing key changes to the Toxic Substances Control Act, required by the 2016 Lautenberg Chemical Safety Act, produced immediate and substantive results. Since our meeting, significant progress has been made to address our concerns about EPA's implementation of the changes to Section 5 – the new chemicals program – and we believe the backlog for new product approvals that existed when you took office is on the way to being addressed. We appreciate your leadership on this important issue.

Directly related to one of the many market sectors we are involved in, we also shared with you that we have previously invested hundreds of millions of dollars in the development of new generation refrigerants, such as hydrofluoroolefins (HFOs). These refrigerants provide automobile manufacturers with a low-cost alternative to meeting light-duty vehicle standards that are already being implemented in the United States. Importantly, Chemours is also making investments that will create additional American manufacturing and commercial jobs.

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Of note, you will recall we talked about an ongoing \$300 million manufacturing investment that will result in the construction of a new HFO production facility at our Corpus Christi plant site in Ingleside, TX.

Please consider this letter a personal invitation for Chemours to host you and your senior staff this fall at the Corpus Christi plant. We would value the opportunity to provide you and your invitees with a tour of the facility, including the new expansion project, and to talk in more detail about our new products and the global markets that will be served from this plant.

We also would value the opportunity to continue dialogue with you about how your leadership at EPA can pave the way for new investment and job creation by the entire U.S. chemical industry.

We trust you will favorably view this invitation to tour our Corpus Christi plant later this year, and we will follow up directly with your senior staff to select a date for same.

Sincerely

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